

RAVALLI COUNTY EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 9

TITLE: Firearms and other weapons prohibited upon certain county property.

REASONS: The facts giving rise to this ordinance are that during the past two days threatening language and behavior has been directed towards elected and appointed county officials while these officials were in the courthouse and in the performance of their official duties.

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE: No person shall wear, bear or otherwise carry onto the Ravalli County Courthouse square*, including the Ravalli County Courthouse complex and county parking lots adjacent to the Courthouse square any firearm, whether concealed or unconcealed, any chemical spray device such as "Mace" or "Pepper Spray," any explosive device as defined by Section 50-38-101, MCA, or any knife defined as concealed weaponry by Section 45-8-315, MCA.

This section shall not apply to:

1. County, city, state and United States law enforcement officers.
2. Persons specifically authorized by the District Court Judge, Justices of the Peace, Ravalli County Sheriff's Department to carry or bear any of the items set forth in 1 above.

*The Ravalli County Courthouse square is bounded by 2nd Street on the east, 3rd Street on the west, Bedford on the north and Madison on the south, and includes the sidewalks.

PENALTY: Violation of this ordinance is a misdemeanor and is punishable by a fine of up to \$500.00 and/or 6 months in the county jail.

DATED this 2nd day of March, 1995.

BOARD OF RAVALLI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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ATTEST: Betty T. Sund
Clerk and Recorder

